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# Situation of human rights in the Sudan

## Note by the Secretary-General

1. The Secretary-General has the duty to inform the members of the General Assembly that the interim report on the situation of human rights in the Sudan will not be submitted to the Assembly at its fifty-third session, as a result of the resignation in March 1998 of Mr. Gáspár Bíró, Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights. The Secretary-General further informs the members of the General Assembly that, by its resolution 1998/67 of 21 April 1998, the Commission on Human Rights decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur for an additional year; pursuant thereto, Mr. Leonardo Franco of Argentina was appointed to succeed Mr. Bíró. Owing to his late appointment, Mr. Franco will not be in a position to submit a report to the General Assembly.

2. The attention of the members of the General Assembly is accordingly drawn to the most recent report of the Special Rapporteur to the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Sudan (E/CN.4/1998/66).

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